Introduced by Special Committee on Assembly Legislative Ethics (Negrete McLeod (Democratic Co-Chair) Kelley (Republican Co-Chair), Cardoza, Robert Pacheco, and Steinberg)

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An act to amend Sections 11146 and 11146.3 of the Government Code, relating to state agencies.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 3022, as introduced, Special Committee on Assembly Legislative Ethics. State agencies: ethics orientation.

Existing law requires each state agency to offer at least semiannually an orientation course on the relevant ethics statutes and regulations that govern the official conduct of state officials. It requires certain exempt and management-level state officials and employees to attend the orientation course once every 2 years.

This bill would expand these training requirements to include all employees of a state agency who are required to file statements of economic interest pursuant to the Political Reform Act of 1974. It would require attendance at the orientation course at least once during each consecutive period of 2 years.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 11146 of the Government Code is 2 amended to read:

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11146. For purposes of this article, the following terms have the following meanings:

- (a) "State agency" has the same meaning as set forth in Section 82049, but does not include the Legislature.
- (b) "Filer" means each member, officer, or *designated* employee of a state agency who satisfies both of the following requirements:
- (1) The person holds any one of the following positions with the agency: an elected office, a position that is exempt from civil service, a career executive assignment, the position of executive director or its equivalent, or the position of general counsel or its equivalent.
- (2) The person is required to file a statement of economic interests under either Article 2 (commencing with Section 87200) or Article 3 (commencing with Section 87300) of Chapter 7 of Title 9 because of the position he or she holds with the agency.
- 17 SEC. 2. Section 11146.3 of the Government Code is amended 18 to read:
 - 11146.3. Except as set forth in Section 11146.4, each filer shall attend the orientation course required in Section 11146.1, as follows:
 - (a) For filers a filer who hold holds a position with the agency on January 1, 1999 2003, not later than December 31, 1999 2003 and, thereafter, and at least once during each consecutive period of two calendar years thereafter commencing on January 1, 2005.
 - (b) For persons a person who become becomes a filer with the agency after January 1, 1999 2003, within six months after they become he or she becomes a filer and at least once during each consecutive period of two calendar years commencing on the first odd-numbered year thereafter.